

Cotton Bond Issue Bill Is Before Legislature

Relief Measure Drafted by Joint Committee From House and Senate
is Introduced in Both Branches—Provides for Twenty-five
Million Dollar Plantation.

Features of Bond Issue Bill

Amount to be voted, \$25,000,000 of 5 per cent, 5-year coupon bonds.

The question to be submitted to the people at the general election, November 3.

To be approved by two-thirds of the votes of the qualified electors to become a law.

Bonds shall then be issued in denominations of \$50, \$100 and \$1,000.

The State will purchase cotton outright. The price to be paid is 10 cents a pound for middling, the sinking fund commission to determine the price for lower grades.

One-tenth of purchase price is to be retained to pay interest on bonds and expenses.

Two-year loans may also be had on cotton held in security, upon the presentation of receipts for cotton properly warehoused and insured.

Loans are made on basis of middling cotton at 9 cents a pound.

One-tenth of the face value of the note is retained to pay interest in advance.

Cotton thus held cannot be sold within three years without the consent of the maker of the note.

Distribution of benefits will be upon basis of pro rata share of county production in 1913 and 1914, as nearly as can be approximated.

Benefits of the law will be contingent upon conformity with acreage reduction legislation.

The acreage reduction bill which has already been passed by the house and sent to the senate provides that not more than one-third of the land under cultivation shall be planted in cotton, and in no case more than six acres to the plow.

The text of the cotton bond issue bill introduced simultaneously in the two houses of the South Carolina general Assembly Monday night is as follows:

"A bill to authorize the issuing of \$25,000,000 in 5 per cent, coupon bonds of the State, to be known as South Carolina cotton bonds, and to submit the question of the issuing of the same to the electors at the next general election and to provide for the payment of interest and their retirement and to prescribe the terms and manner of issuing and delivery of the same.

"Be it enacted by the general assembly of the State of South Carolina:

"Section 1. That the State of South Carolina issue \$25,000,000, if so much be necessary, in 5 per cent, coupon bonds, bearing interest from the date of issue, payable annually for a term of five years, and with the option to the State to call the said bonds or any portion thereof by number for payment at any time; said bonds to be issued in form and manner and for the purposes hereinafter set forth: Provided, That the question of issuing the said bonds be submitted to the qualified electors on the 3rd day of November, 1914 for the consent of the people of the State; that at said election there shall be provided a sufficient number of ballots as follows: 'For the issuing of not exceeding \$25,000,000 South Carolina coupon bonds to be exchanged for or loaned upon cotton by the State. Yes,' and a sufficient number of ballots to be provided as follows: 'For the issuing of not exceeding \$25,000,000 South Carolina coupon bonds to be exchanged for or loaned upon cotton by the State. No.' Only such notice of said election shall be required and extended by advertisement as may be practicable after the passage of this act. That in case two-thirds voting on the question of said issue shall vote yes, then the said bonds shall be issued as provided in this act.

"Sec. 2. That said bonds shall be issued in denominations of \$50, \$100 and \$1,000 and shall be executed as now provided for by an act entitled 'An act to provide for the redemption of that part of the State debt known as the brown coupon bonds and stocks by issue of other bonds and stocks,' approved December 22, 1892, and acts amendatory thereof. Said bonds shall be issued in such form as shall be prescribed by State sinking fund commission: Provided, That the cotton taken in exchange for said bonds shall be pledged for the payment of same and interest collected under the provisions of this act shall be held by the State treasurer for the payment of said bonds except as otherwise herein provided.

"Disposition of Bonds.

"Sec. 3. That the sinking fund commission shall deposit said bonds with the State Treasurer and shall dispose of them as hereinafter prescribed. In exchange for South Carolina produced cotton, evidenced by certificates or receipts from bonded or State-managed warehouses, showing the weight, grade, mark and number of bales of such cotton, according to the plan and procedure prescribed by the federal government, the sinking fund commission shall deliver warrant or warrants in the sum represented by the value of said cotton at 10 cents per pound on the basis of middling, the price of the lower grades to be fixed by the sinking fund commission, and in no case at a higher price than 10 cents per pound. Provided, That the person receiving such warrants shall be the producer of the cotton represented by such certificates or receipts or the owner of the land upon which it was produced, or the holder thereof for the benefit of the producer of land owner, and shall deposit in cash with the sinking fund commission 10 per cent of the face of each warrant, to be held in the State treasury for the purpose of the payment of interest on said bonds and expenses.

"Sec. 4. On delivery of note or notes of any person except as herein limited, subject to such rules and regulations as the sinking fund commission may prescribe, made out and executed in such form as the sinking fund commission may require, for the payment to the State of a fixed amount two years from the date thereof, with the interest after the maturity thereof at the rate of 5 per cent per annum, accompanied by a cash payment of 10 per cent of the face of such note or notes, to cover the interest in advance until the maturity of the note which shall be held

quired to be made to the said commission under this act. It shall be the duty of the sinking fund commission to inquire into and require the cotton sold to the State, or held by it on loans, to be properly insured for the benefit of the State by the State warehouse commissioner or the bonded warehouse issuing said warehouse receipt; and said cotton shall not be insured in State insurance fund.

"Sec. 10. That all persons obtaining the benefits of this act shall enter into an obligation to the State that he will conform to all legislation of this State regulating cotton acreage and production.

"Sec. 11. The State sinking fund commission is hereby authorized and directed in its discretion to perform all and singular the acts necessary to carry out the provisions and purposes of this act, not herein specifically given or provided for in terms, and which may not be inconsistent with the provisions and purposes thereof.

"Sec. 12. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act, and the same are hereby repealed so far as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this act.

"Sec. 13. This act shall go into effect immediately upon its approval."

COURT MADE FRANTIC OVER THE TESTIMONY

COULD NOT UNDERSTAND
FOREIGN LANGUAGE

GOT INTERPRETER

When Case Was Called in Magistrate's Court, Russian Jews
Too Much for His Honor.

Little did he know what was about to happen to him when Magistrate Broadwell leaned back in his big arm chair yesterday and complacently reached for his docket. There he saw, before him the case of the State versus Amella Jackson, charged with assault and battery and as this promised to take up but a few minutes of his time, the judge consented to hear the case and called for the first witness to appear. That the witness did appear is certainly a fact as Mr. Broadwell is ready to testify. The people prosecuting the negro happened to be Russian-Jews and when Mrs. H. Brodie took the stand as the principal witness for the prosecution the magistrate threw up his hands and yelled for water. The woman could not speak a single word of English and her mixture of Russian and Yiddish was something horrible to hear. Magistrate Broadwell hardly knew whether to think she was telling facts about the case or expressing her opinion of his dignity and the manner in which he conducted court. One or two of the attorneys interested in the case, proud of their linguistic ability, attempted to solve a part of what the witness was saying, but proceeding with express train rapidity, and talking with her hands and eyes as much as she did her mouth, no two men could have understood what she was trying to say.

In desperation Magistrate Broadwell sent for B. Hillman, who understands the language and with his aid the court was able to get to the bottom of the affair. It seems that the negro woman, Amella Jackson, is employed on the plantation of the Brodie's and she decided a few days ago that she could borrow the Brodie mule and have some fire wood hauled up to her house. Mrs. Brodie stoutly protested and finally took the collar off the mule and instructed her little, eight-year-old son to run to the house with it. The boy started and then, according to the evidence in the case, the negro woman grabbed him and gave him a severe punishment, out of which incident arose the charge of assault and battery. After hearing the case Magistrate Broadwell decided that the defendant was guilty and sentenced her to pay a fine of \$10 or to serve for 30 days. Attorneys for the defense gave notice of appeal.

Board of Directors Elected.
RICHMOND, VA., Oct. 20.—Stockholders of the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway company, in annual meeting here today, re-elected the present board of directors. The nomination to the board of C. E. Graham of New York to succeed Frank A. Vanderbilt, resigned, was confirmed.

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Belton's Greatest Event

Is Now Only History

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ing and most creditably did they acquit themselves of their duties.

The building was divided into seven departments: Domestic, candles, pantry supplies, fancy work, and machine work, children's department, floral and art department.

Mrs. Isa Brown had charge of the domestic department and here was a varied and elegant assortment of cakes of all kinds, bread, rolls, potato chips and other fancy cooking.

There were beautiful specimens of home cured meats, and other home raised products, that are most attractive to any housekeeper. Miss Leda Poore presided at the candy booth and had a tempting assortment of home made candies. An attractive booth was the one devoted to pantry supplies and the rows of preserves, pickles, vinegar, wine and jellies, made a creditable showing for the housekeepers of this community.

One of the most beautiful displays in the whole building was that of fancy work, machine work and all other hand work. The walls and tables were lined with the most beautiful specimens of dainty handwork.

Among these was a hand-made counterpane, made over 80 years ago, of home made thread. Also a quilt of intricate design made by a young lady 18 years old that had 11,455 pieces in it. There was also on display a very unique and lovely pillow, made in the public schools in Mexico, and brought to South Carolina by Mrs. Charles Brown. It was red velvet applique on white, the design being maple leaves and maiden hair ferns. Mrs. W. C. Black of Honca Path had on exhibit an entire room suit for bed room done in the 14th Century Punch work. Mrs. W. C. Hearlin had charge of this exhibit.

Children's Department.

Another interesting and wonderful department was that for children under 15 years of age. Some of the articles would have done credit to older women and consisted of fancy work, hand work, cakes, candy, and dried fruits, preserves, jellies, and pickle. One embroidered counterpane was a particularly handsome piece of work. Two interesting specimens were a glass of jelly from a 9 year old boy, and a jar of pickle made by a 10 year old boy. This department was in charge of Mrs. W. E. Grier.

Mrs. J. T. West presided over the floral exhibit and pot plants and cut flowers were very rare and beautiful and attracted much admiration from the host of visitors.

In the art department under the supervision of Mrs. J. T. Rice there was a handsome assortment of paintings, stencilling, hand painted china, and photography. The display showed a great amount of talent and ability.

Department Judges.

The judges for the several departments were: Domestic, Mrs. O. K. Breasale; Westmaster, Mrs. Tom Brock; Honca Path, Miss Stoddard; Fancy, Mrs. S. D. Brownlee; Children's, Mrs. Duff Sloan; Preserve, Mrs. Ed. Friserson; Mrs. Ed. Woodside; Greenick, Children's department, Mrs. Ed. Woodside; Mrs. Frank Polzer; Mrs. W. E. Sharpe; Honca Path, Floral, art and candy, Mrs. W. T. Tate, Mrs. Raymond Beatty, Anderson; Miss Bessie Allen.

The Baby Show.

At 3 o'clock the baby show was held, starting at E. M. Cox's store. Here promptly on time was a large gathering of the babies from all over the Piedmont section, and the decision of the judges was made under difficult circumstances. Most of the little folks were in beautifully decorated carriages and four prizes went for the prettiest babies and two for the best decorated carriage.

Honorable mention 3 months to 1 year, silver cup, Hanks Bros. Mr. and Mrs. Mack Reed.

Honorable mention 1 year to 2 years, birthday silver spoon, Fair association, Mrs. Frank Kueber.

Prettiest girl, 1 year to 2 years, set beauty pins, Fair association, Mrs. Gray Norris.

Prettiest girl, 3 months to 1 year, birthday silver spoon, Fair association, Mrs. W. B. Thompson.

Best decorated cart, first prize, Mrs. E. E. Stannell.

Best decorated cart, second prize, Mrs. Dick Smith.

The judges awarded 50 cents each to the twins of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Green, for the purpose of starting a bank account for these little folks.

Mrs. C. G. Todd was superintendent of this department.

Officers and Committees.

The following are the officers and committees of the Belton Fair Association:

D. A. Geer, president.

E. C. Friserson, vice president.

H. G. Campbell, treasurer.

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Poultry and Pigs—J. A. Singleton, chairman; A. W. Campbell, assistant.

Movement to Raise Big Strike Fund

SCRANTON, PA., Oct. 20.—A movement to have the American Federation of Labor raise a national strike fund of millions of dollars in an effort to obtain a closed shop in the textile industry was endorsed by the United Textile Workers of America in annual convention here today. If the proposition meets with approval of the federation, it is planned to advise all labor organizations affiliated with that body and also to enlist their moral support.

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THE UP-TO-DATE CLOTHIER

ROBERT E. LEE PASSES AWAY

Was Youngest Son of General
Robert E. Lee, the Confederate Commander.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20.—Word was received here today of the death of Captain Robert E. Lee, youngest son of General Robert E. Lee, the Confederate commander, at Upperville, Va., last night. He had been seriously ill for some time. The body will be interred at Lexington, Va., today morning.

Captain Lee was educated in private schools and in the University of Virginia. At the outbreak of the Civil War, Captain Lee joined the Fockbridge (Va.) artillery as a private. He took part in numerous engagements and was later promoted to the rank of captain of artillery on the staff of his brother, General W. H. F. Lee.

Captain Lee was the author of

"Recollections and Letters of General Robert E. Lee." He was born at the old Lee mansion, now part of Arlington national cemetery, October 27, 1843.

German Repulsed.
AMSTERDAM, VIA LONDON, Oct. 21.—(2:15 a. m.)—The Telegram's Shuis correspondent says the Germans apparently have been repulsed near Middle Kerke. Their guns now are near Ostend, which still is in the possession of the Germans, the correspondent adds.

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